(2) the number of recommendations accepted by the Government with the reasons for the non-acceptance, if any?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*—(1) 364.

(2) 364.

Minimum qualifications—exemptions of.

304. Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi).*—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

whether the Government has any idea of exempting its servants in various departments who have already put in 12 years' service from the minimum qualification prescribed by the Staff Selection Board?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*—No.

Age-bar—exemptions of.

305. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi).*—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Public Service Commission has passed over the claims of certain candidates who have approved acting service, for the reason that they entered the service after their 25th year;

(b) do not the Standing Orders prohibit the appointment of candidates above 25 years of age;

(c) is it not therefore correct to presume that whenever a candidate above 25 years is appointed, *ipso facto* he is impliedly given exemption from age-bar;

(d) are the Government aware of the great hardships and extreme disappointment that would result, if fresh applicants are preferred to candidates who unfortunately entered the service after their 25th year?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*—(a) No.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

(d) Yes.

Municipal staff—appointments of.

306. Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

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